

NEW UNITED STATES UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Atty. Docket No. 03797.00014

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Enclosed herewith is a new patent application and the following papers:

First Named Inventor (or application identifier):

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Title of Invention:

MERCHANT BRANDED SOFTWARE

- 1. \underline{X} Specification $\underline{23}$ pages (including spec, claims, abstract) $\underline{/46}$ claims ($\underline{6}$ independent)
- 2. X Declaration/Power of Attorney is:
 - \underline{X} attached in the regular manner.
 - NOT included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).
- 3. X 9 Distinct sheets of X Formal Informal Drawings
- 4. Preliminary Amendment.
- 5. ___ Information Disclosure Statement Form 1449
 - A copy of each cited prior art reference
- 6. \underline{X} Assignment with Cover Sheet.
- 7. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) based upon the following application(s):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)

- Priority document(s).
- 9. Claiming Small Entity Status.
- 10. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
- 11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission.
 - Computer Readable Copy.

 Paper Copy (identical to computer copy).

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12. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. 1.16(a))			\$710.00
Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	46 – 20 = 26	18.00	\$468.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	6-3 = 3	80.00	\$240.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	0	130.00	\$0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due	1		\$1418.00
	REDUCE BY (%) (\$)		
Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	50% reduction		\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE DUE \$1			
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h))	0	40.00	\$40.00
GRAND TOTAL DUE			\$1458.00

13. PAYMENT is:

X included – Please accept this paper as a general authorization under 37 C.F.R. 1.25(b), second sentence, to debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for the instant filing and for any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17.

not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).

14. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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